There was not a single Radical vote polled in Polk county, Florida, at the late thus.

ton a week or two ago, the President was are easy. But Schurz has the odd trick.

### Nebuchadnezzar II.

curses the Republican party." In other will be confided. words, he has gone to grass, with the rest of the cattle.

## Revenue Reform.

The Collector of the Fourth North Caro listrict enjoys the nice little sum of \$12 000 per annum. This is all allowed by the Government. How much besides he allows himself we are unable to say. course no reform is needed in the Revenue department.

## Impeachment of Holden,

The resolution offered by Mr. STRUD-WICK, of Orange, yesterday, in the House tence. of Representatives, that W. W. Holden, Governor of North Carolina, be impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors, looks as if the members of the Legislature intended to heed the wishes of their constituents. The Governor's organ has defiantly dared the House to prefer articles of impeachment. We thank Mr. STRUDWICK for giving the people of North Carolina the opportunity, at least, to know whether whether correct principles or mistaken policy is to direct legislation.

The people of North Carolina will look to the sequel of the movement inaugurated its fertilizing qualities, restoring none, by the resolution of Mr. STRUDWICK with great anxiety and concern.

## Porter-Grant Imbroglio,

We publish elsewhere the censorious letter written by Admiral Porter to Secretary Wells in 1865, in which that officer speaks his mind about General Grant, and sufficiency of practical men for this generalso the model explanation of the Admiral. This is, under existing relations between these two officials, an awkward occurrence, especially so, as the confirmation of PORTER as "Admiral" in place of FAREAGUT is pending before the Senate.

Our "smoky Cresar," immolating himself on the altar of personal friendship, in semi-heroic imitation of his ancient prototype, exclaims, with considerable melodramatic effect, "I have lost all faith in human nature.'

PORTER, fearful of the pending confirmation, is doubtful whether to lie into or out up. of the scrape. His first impulse was to deny the authenticity of the letter, but "paper writings" are ugly witnesses. He therefore concludes to condemn himself by admitting that he had perpetrated a slander, and seeks excuse on account of the trials and tribulations of the time at which it was written. The Admiral does not state whether his caustic nervousness was caused from the fear of Butler's powder ship or "rebel" guns.

Altogether the affair is a most interest ing episode in the lives of these two prominent officials.

When we denounce the rascality which has made way with the moneys raised for the education of our children, honest men, the Ottoman government. The trouble the obligations of the treaty, but protests whether rich or poor, white or black, will arose about the repairs of the churches that he has no intention "to raise the hardly be induced to believe that we are around the Holy Sepulchre, and about a Eastern question," and has no other wish opposed to free education. When we silver star belonging to the Latin Monks than the preservation and consolidation of tell them that hundreds of thousands of at Bethlehem, and which they accused the peace. dollars have been raised by taxation for Greek Monks of having stolen. After an educational purposes, and that other hun- immense waste of words and protocols, in every probability is against it. The tradreds of thousands of dollars have been which the representatives of France and ditions of his race and country make him realized for the same purpose from the Russia dragged out months in negotiations necessarily ambitious and unscrapulous. sale of stocks in public works, and that with the Turkish administration, the latter The moment is favorable. The parties but little of it has been spent upon the rendered the following decision: That not- who guaranteed the treaty of Paris and on education of our youths, and less of it re- withstanding the opposition of the Greek whom Turkey frantically calls for aid, are mains in the Public Treasury, it does not Monks, who claimed that the Church of not able to respond. France is prostrate; follow that we are opposed to free schools. the Nativity belonged to them exclusively, Italy is unwilling; England is powerless, If we tell our people that Northern Radi- a key of the principal door should be de- even if she were resolute. The opportunity cal papers denounce our State as having livered to the Latins also, and as the is most tempting. It is known that great disgraced herself by neglecting the ed- stelen star could not be found, that anoth- concentrations of troops are taking place disgraced herself by neglecting the education of her children, in the face of the
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government, are impatiently longing to fight
forty thousand men, entrenched for that purpose, they will not, as a matter | Monks. of course, regard us as hostile to popular education. If we do not think the Super- equitable, dissatisfied both the Latin and eve of an act of war. It would seem as if education. If we do not think the Superintendent of Education is one of the best and perhaps the only chance to
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of their children. cational funds to be shamefully wasted the Ottoman empire, no matter what their of Paris. So that it is most probable that as a satrap was unlimited. In the various sword." without protest, or has himself been a religion may be, a complete equality before the Czar will be allowed to rebuild quietly comments it evoked, one sentiment was guilty party to the frauds by which they the law; and at that very time the Turk- the fortress and herbor of Sebastopol and predominant-scorn of the man and of his have been lost to the purposes for which ish ambassadors at London and Paris were to construct an iron-clad fleet in the Black utterances. From this view the writer is they were raised. He has, we firmly be- Christians; a Christian Pasha was com- Sea. If he be satisfied with that for the compelled to dissent. He has been too lieve, attempted to force upon our people, mander-in-chief of the army, and other present, the peace of Europe need not be long in the habit of observing the immacby producing an educational famine, his Christian Pashas were organizing troops further broken. But what will happen if, late course of the Chief Justice and the treated to the hall, the court in full purby by bad weather, and those inside cannot peculiar religious and political tenets.— for the defence of the Ottoman empire. one demand being granted, he makes Associates to discard fair play, even when suit. The attorney stopped, the court co-operate effectively. I have given you What money he may have spent here or But when the strong seeks a quarrel with elsewhere was the funds of other people, the weak, any pretext is good. Russia sued in 1833, 1839, 1848 and 1853, he personage are in question. The vexed for which he was sure to get a paying per had established an immense fortress and marches his armies into the Turkish tercent., and he took good care to leave his navy yard at Sebastopol. Her fleet in the ritory as a preliminary measure? This examined it will be found to contain value fright, made a grand rush for the stairway, me to thank you for the confidence you work when a larger field and a larger salary Black Sea was superior to any that the last phase of the "Eastern Question" may

this State. He has trifled with their credulity, hiding his hypocrisy behind a ready cant and a sacerdotal loyalty. He has managed to saddle his family and their mendicate and friends upon the State, and has, in the cant friends upon the State, and spoken, and grayed to preached, and spoken, and grayed to preached, and spoken, and grayed to saddle his family and spoken, and grayed to saddle his family and spoken, and grayed to saddle his family and their mendicates. The cant friends upon the State, and has, in the cantes of the civilized after his arrival he presented a diplomatic name of the purest and noblest man in the give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eig. I write and give you the deasure, my dear eight of the few with the greatest part of the civilized after his arrival he presented a diplomatic name of my husband, which is Robert Edward, and the world will eventually take part. It is true but the christian subnote, demanding the considering in many to the Ottoman Porte. Shortly on the civilized after his arrival he presented a diplomatic name of my husband, which is Robert Edward, and their mendinote, demanding the considering in many to the civilized after his arrival he presented a diplomatic name of my husband, which is Robert Edward, after his arrival he presented a longing for war by our hid easure, my dear eight many to the civilized after his arrival he presented a diplomatic name of my husband, which is Robert Edward, after his arrival he presented a longing for war which the greatest part and edited in the service of his party, with Turkey should resign her sovereignty over other age, and was one of the few links that to the best sources of information, and the mourns with me.

forgetting to draw his salary of two hun- days were granted the Sultan to give his dred dollars. To day he is editing the answer to this exhorbitant demand, afte Raleigh Standard, and has been for several which the Russian armies entered the months. Yet he and his assistant and Principalities. The Crimean war followed clerks are bleeding the Treasury under the this arrogant proceeding. Nicholas had pretense of establishing public schools and not expected such vigorous action on the providing for the education of our chil- part of France and England, but he had election. Ask Littlefield why this was dren. The people of North Carolina are gone too far to retract. But before the tired of such stuff. They do demand and allied fleets or forces could make their apmust have a proper system of free schools; pearance in the Black Sea, the Russian Ad-When Senator Schurz visited Washing- they demand and must have a Superinten- miral destroyed the Turkish fluct in the dent of Education in whose moral and in- harbor of Sinope, in the Black Sea, after too busy to see him. When he returned tellectual worth they have the utmost con- a bloody and unequal action. to the city, after a few days's absence, he fidence. The Board of Education must Every one knows that the result of the had not time to see the President. Honors be so constituted that the taxes imposed Crimean war was the complete destruction for educational purposes shall be honestly of the fortress and naval station of Sebasand faithfully expended. All classes of topol, and of the Russian fleet in the our children, rich and poor, white and Black Sea. The treaty of Paris, signed The Boston Congregationalist, a politico- black, must be made to feel that their March 30th, 1856, contains the following religious journal with a decided Radical State will not permit them to grow up in stipulations, made between Russia on the leaning, regrets that President Grant "has ignorance, but that North Carolina will one part, France, England and Sardinia backed down and caved in to the herd of take care of the intellectual growth of on the other, Austria and Prussia conunscrupulous politicians which affliets and those into whose hands her future destinies curring :

No question deserves more attention at the hands of the Legislature or so loudly calls for the intervention of a Convention as much does that of education.

The Annual Address Before the Sampson

County Agricultural Scelety. Our special correspondent at the Sampson Of County Fair inadvertently neglected to allude to the Annual Address delivered before the Society, on the second day of the rian or others, with the exceptions mentioned in Fair, by Capt. James R. Thigpen, of the Articles 14 and 19. Reconstructed Farmer. He now proceeds to make amends for his previous inadver-

The address was eminently practical in its character and teachings, and to render it thus was the laudable purpose of its author. Work, hard, unremitting labor, was what he chiefly recommended to the farmers of the present day; and he endeavored to impress upon them the wisdom of sound, practical farming and the necessity of acquiring its knowledge, and thus testing science and reducing theory to its proper their repesentatives appreciate the full usage. His estimate of a good farmer, he meaning of the August elections; whether, declared to be the one who produces most hereafter the Constitution and the laws of with the least labor, and at the same time the State, or the unbridled will of the adds to the productive qualities of the Governor in office, is to be supreme; soil." The practice of wearing out lands and exhausting their productive qualities was strongly condemned, and those farmers who clear land and annually take from were declared to be robbing posterity.

Some most excellent hints were given to parents as to the manner of raising their children upon the farms so as to fit them for the practical duties of life. This county, the speaker declared, has now a ation, and it behooves the farmers to train their sons for developing the agricultural, mineral and manufacturing resources of the country, while educating them in the branches of knowledge most useful to intelligent working people. The daughters should be raised in the knowledge of all the duties of housewifery. Most excellent, also, was the advice to young men, to go manfully to work-hard, honorable work-and not remain sitting in indolence wishing for capital wherewith to commence business, or waiting for something to turn

The hints as to labor, teams, farm implements, drainage, composting and fertilizers, homemade manures, how to raise compost, preparation of the soil, seeding and cultivating, stock raising, rotation, etc., were most excellent, and met with warm approbation.

Altogether the address was exceedingly creditable to the knowledge and practice of Capt. Thigpen, and made a decided im-

# The Eastern Question,

make new and exorbitant demands upon Emperor considers himself released from

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This man Ashley has permitted the edu-Turks could oppose. Now, thought the yet become more serious than all the cal seers may ridicule the notion of a new He has been the willing and well-paid Czar Nicholas, was the time to take others. tool of the Radical party to deceive the another step toward Constantinople. ignorant in regard to public education in Accordingly, Prince Menzikoff was this State. He has trifled with their cred- dispatched as Ambassador Extraordi- Carolina's most distinguished sons and ents to the chafed spirit of Calacazy, gives

"ART. 7. The contracting parties declare the Sublime Porte to participate in all the advantages of international law and the Europeau system. Their Majesties bind themselves, each on his side, to respect the independence and territorial integrity of the Ofteman Empire, and guarantee in common the strict observance of

to the commercial marine of all nations, its waters and harbors are explicitly and forever closed to war vessels of all nations, either ripa-

"ART. 13. Their Majesties, the Emperor of Russia and the Sultan, bind themselves not to establish or maintain any arsenals or navy yards on the Black Sea."

By the articles 14 and 19, referred to above, and by an appendix to the treaty, Russia and Turkey agree to keep in the Black Sea, not exceeding six small naval vessels and four light steamers, exclusively for coast service and revenue. Article 19 child that he was carrying. stipulates that each of the contracting Powers, including France, England, Austria and Sardinia shall be allowed to keep two small vessels at the mouth of the Danube, all said vessels to obtain a firman tion " is maintained, closing the Dardanelles to all but Turkish vessels of war, in

The circular of Prince Gortschakoff, which now excites fears of a general European war, takes the following ground. The Emperor of Russia announces that he will no longer consider himself bound far as these limit his sovereignty in the Black Sea, because these provisions have been repeatedly violated by the other parties. Among these violations are the to Fair Bluff, and both of them are now cruise of the Prince of Wales in the Black safely ensoonced in the jail at Whiteville. Sea in an English frigate; also a trip of there on a visit; then a recent trip of the Sultan on board a Turkish frigate, against which the Russian envoy protested in vain. Also the permission given to Admiral Farragut to enter the Dardanelles. less frivolous, since it is evident that the added more weighty considerations. The introduction of iron clad ships unknown creases the danger of Russia. Then, the Straits Convention" allows the entrance through the Straits and into the Black Sea of all the fleets of the allies of Tarkey as soon as war breaks out, while Russia, being debarred from having or constructing a fleet in the Black Sea, would be completely at their mercy. To this it may be replied, that there is no danger or possi-From time immemorial the Greek and bility of aggression on the part of Turkey the Latin Monks have quarreled about the on the Russian possession in the Black possession of the Hely Places at Jerusalem. Sea; while a few days would suffice to In 1853 a fresh dispute broke out between | bring a fleet of iron clads from Sebastopol them, and Russia seized this pretext to to Constantinople. For these reasons the

Let us hope that he speaks truly, bat is highly probable that the Russian Gov- once more under the starry folds of the old flag. the deepest caverns of the earth, all the This decision, although liberal and ernment talks loudest of peace on the very

was born in Caswell county in 1795, was from 1815 for many years a member of the House of Commons, was elected to the United States Senate in 1829, and was reelected to the same at the expiration of his first term. His name and his example will long live in the memory of the good men fall heavily. The "brethren" never beof the State.

FROM FAIR BLUFF-Two SUPPOSED OUT-LAWS CAPTURED. - By a gentleman who arrived in the city last night from Fair Bluff, we learn that two men were captured near that place on Thursday, who are, with good reason, supposed to be members of the Robeson county gang of outlaws. The circumstances of the case are briefly these:

On Thursday morning these two men, who are both white, entered a house near Fair Bluff and began to mould bullets .-Both of them were heavily armed, and on being ordered from the premises refused to with a high command; and whilst the rest leave, saying that they went where they pleased and did as they pleased. Suspecting them to be outlaws, a son of the owner of the house went into Fair Bluff and informed some of the citizens there that a gang of the outlaws was advancing on the place. A callwas immediately made for men, and a force was organized to meet them. The expedition sat out and soon afterwards met the two men near the house at which they had been seen. These began at once to retreat, and soon an indiscriminate firing was begun, but without results. The outlaws endeavored to gain the shelter of a dense swamp that was near at hand, and one of them, the larger and elder of the two, succeeded in reaching it. but the other, a mere stripling, was captured, together with a horse, and a white

On Thursday night the roads were pick- honor awarded to every one who disetted and information having been brought in that the escaped outlaw was at a certain before they can enter the straits. The pre- the proposition was made to stop all night this very house, for as soon as the call the eye of a needle. was made he sprang to the door, threw it open and began to fire on the party at the verify Butler's preternatural insight or gate. This was returned, when he sprang not, justice to ourselves forbids that he down the steps and crawled under the by the provisions of the treaty of Paris, so house. A daring young man followed him and soon succeeded in effecting his capture although he nearly lost his life from a pistol shot from the outlaw. He was taken

The younger of the two is uninjured but the same kind by Sir Bulwer Lytton ; the the last captured was shot in the arm and appearance of an Austrian equadron at has also slight wounds in the head and on Varna, when the Emperor of Austria was the chest. Fortunately, none of the citizens who effected the captures are at all

As we said before, there is very good the rest of the faculty of our once Univerreason for supposing these two men to be of the Robeson county gang of outlaws .-To these grievances, which are all more or It is presumed that they were out on a reconnoitering expedition at the time of spirit of the treaty was not violated, are the capture, although the presence of the mendation of the Governor, who is pantchild is not easily accounted for. Their statements are very conflicting, and every and unforseen at the time of the treaty in- circumstance is suspicious. One of them that he may challenge and back out the claims to be from Virginia, and the other from Maine. It is to be hoped that they will get their full deserts.

# Hard to Strike out "White."

The Cincinnati Enquirer says : " At the late election in Michigan the question was submitted to the people, by the Republican Legislature, whether they would strike the word "white" out of the State Constitution, in the suffrage clause, where it rettricts voting to white persons. This was considered necessary in order to bring it in harmony with the Fifteenth Amendment to the Federal Constitution. It was not supposed that there would be any opposition to this procedure, which the progress of events had apparently rendered inevitable. But to the astonishment of the every day, before the troops, the new bond Republican managers, a State which they of union between J. Pearson and the Rad. carried even this fall by fifteen thousand majority, falters upon this question, and if the friends of the "striking out" are raised in defiance of law, to commit unnot beaten, they have only succeeded by a majority of a few hundred ! It would seem that a large portion of the Republican party in Michigan are desirous of administering a rebuke to those who ratified the amendment in their name, without their consent, even if the act carries with it no and Bergen, in the Caswell and Alamance practical force or effect."

# [COMMUNICATED.]

Give the privilege to the brave sons of the South Gen. Butler's speech.

European embroilment. The authority of Hon. Bedrord Brown, one of North nows," the physician that applied emolli-

puritan fidelity, never for a single month twelve millions of her subjects. Only five remained to bind us to a past when a pure embodiment of some of his views in the honorable principles were the guide and taken as predicative of the gathering storm, boast of the leaders of the people. He and of the action of the Cabinet (if not thwarted) when it bursts forth.

> Wherever, on the side of the Confederates, every means and purpose of resistance bad vanished, and "the fast-fettered hands made vengeance in vain," there did his counterance wax fierce and his blows came the objects of his daring till they had ceased to be the objects of his dread. A man with such antecedents must have a strong propelling motive for raising the war cry, and lauding, in any way, the men of whom, both in Congress and out of it. he has been for years the most relentless

> foe. His incentive to war with England. he says, is the perpetuation of Republicanism for a generation. This is true in part: for when the Republican party falls down and breaks its skull, Ben comes tumbling

after. But his main incentive is spoons. In the invading expedition, (Ben is determined to invade) he will be invested capturing cities, the Butler choice corps will be employed, apart from the danger, in ferreting out the chief's favorite domestic utensils. The rich harvest which he reaped in New Orleans and other fields fertile in spoors, gave him a tolerably high rank in Boston, but the pre-eminence he has attained in infamy makes him impatient of holding a secondary place in any other sphere. Now, since a lordly mansion in England boasts more spoons than any Southern city that was ever under the shadow of Ben's guardian pockets, and antique metrical lore affirms that the dish runs after the spoon, the General, after a few weeks' campaigning, may return bome with plate enough to make him a Shoddy of the Shoddies, perhaps may set him up as a golden calf, at the sacrifice of the generic cognomen, beast, to a specific and un-alliterative designation .-Who then will dare to say that Butler is not made of good metal? Spoon Knight or Spooney will probably be the title of

tinguishes himself in the pantry raid. The composition of the B. branch of the invading force has now to be conhouse a party started out to capture him. sidered. The "S. brethren," it seems, are They were unsuccessful and a few of the longing to fight under the old flag against or permit from the Ottoman government young men were returning home, when England; that is, under Butler himself. eagerly join any marauding enterprise that studied the hydrography of Cape Fear scarcely consider them entitled to a mo existing treaty called the "Straits Conven. at a house near at hand. This was agreed promises speedy enrichment, because river, and did not know the virtue there ment's thought. to and the party halted at the gate and many fof them became so extenuated was in our wooded walls when they went gave the usual halloo. The result proved through his loyalizing process, that they in for a fair stand up fight. Any fort in that the outlaw had forced himself into could earn a living now by showing the

Whether the brethren will so act as to gland without an army from the South .-North Carolina can and will furnish powerful contingent. The purveying and financial departments she can supply with officers of the highest qualifications: Pilgrim, superintendents of public instruction, traffickers in railroads, carpet-baggers of every hue, &c., &c., who in the art of appropriating what does not belong to them are far ahead of the most dexterous light-fingered gentry in New York or elsewhere. The only difficulty to be apprehended with these officials is, they will require as a bonus all the spoils they may collect, and one hundred per cent, for col lecting it. The veritable Sol. Pool and sity, must accompany the troops to astonish Oxford and Cambridge with the extent of their erudition; provided they are not leased out beforehand to some travel ing managerie, according to the recoming to get rid of his Sinbad attachments. Abbott can be placed for a while at the head of the dueling department, in order whole British Parliament. Until offices corresponding to the merits of Tourgee and Senator Pool are established, these gentlemen shall be furnished with a pair of three cent whistles, and made useful in

playing dirges for the loss sustained by the State in the secession of themselves and their companions. A great Judge has also to be selected. one to whom right or wrong are indifferent, and who is prepared to decide according to his prejudices and partialities; his soundly; a sound sleeper meditates no evil: one who meditates no evil shall enjoy eternal happiness. Therefore, a cortain tectotal dignitary shall, as soon as be dies, be carried by spirits to the bosom of Ben Butler, if the latter has the kindness to prepare the adamant receptacle by dying before him. There must also be read, Cab. (first published in Russian Poland,) which bond declares on the one part, that law resides in the swords of cut throats lawful acts; on the other, that the unjust edicts of any ruler must always override both natural and positive law.

file that North Carolina soars above rivalry. She can summon to the standard of Butler a corps of the scarred veterans who covered themselves with glory under Kirk wars. Talk of the rapidity of Prussian conquests! In a campaign of a few days, these warriors, rushing with irresistible force through opposing colto defend their country again in a foreign war, supplies of said army being conveyed on and especially one with Great Britain, which is the tail of a comet; and they also captured

But it is in the material for the rank and

The batallions that figured in the same The war passage in Gen. Butler's late war, and were commanded by Gen. Clark, largely attracted the attention of the Southern press, likely on account of the Southern press, likely on account of the betruly said "there is no dangerous account of the betruly said "the Southern press, likely on account of the be truly said "there is no dangerous account the be truly said "there is no dangerous account the honeyed be truly said "there is no dangerous account the honeyed tion can peep out, but he is thrust upon Richmond would now be ours. Vicks-"Southern brethren," and the unrelieved climax of chivalry and be enabled to ad-BILL BELLUM.

The following letter of Mrs. Lee to Mr.

a great republican, a "Triton of the min- Timberlake, of Augusta, sets at rest the bation, I remain. discussion as to the middle name of Gen. Robert Lee: LEXINGTON, 22d November, 1870.

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U. S. FLAGSHIP MALVERN.

good opinion that this place could be on this subject. taken. To the Navy Department alone is Neither myself nor my secretary the country indebted for the capture of has served with me eight years, could rethis rebel stronghold; for had it not been | call to our recollection any circumstance for your perseverance in keeping the fleet of this kind. I could not conceive I had here, and your constant propositions made attered sentiments I knew I had never to the army, nothing would have been felt, and which are so at variance with done. As it was, after the proposition had those I have uniformly expressed towards that troops should be sent, it was not done one, and vindictive must have been the antil Gen. Butler consented to let the mat | heart of the man that could be guilty of so ter go on, and when he hoped to reap some grave a breach of confidence, and deprayed. little credit for the explosion of the pow- indeed must have been the character who der boat. Now, the country gives Gen. to gratify his mischievous interests, could Grant the credit of inaugurating the ex- make public a confidential letter, written. pedition, when, on both occasions, he per- perhaps, under great excitement, and at mitted it to go improperly provided. In this distant day not even remembered. the first place it had neither head nor tail It seems like a poor return for your unias far as the army was concerned. In the form confidence and kindness to me, and second place he (Grant) sent too few men, I am too glad, that I remember nothing when he ought to have calculated that the connected with the letter. rebels would have more strongly defended of the army is engaged in the field or in the works, after seeing what a narrow es- passed through a long and tatiguing congallantry of the soldiers, for never dreading failure. did men fight harder or more hand- It was under such excitement that I presomely than did our troops that day. Now sume I wrote the letter which you say has that the most important fort on the coast made you lose your faith in human nature. has been gained, as usual you will hear When several persons have at different out little of what the navy did, and no times informed me that a letter would be doubts efforts will be made again to show published, in which I had abased General that the work was not "substantially in Grant, I treated the matter with indifferinred as a defensive work." To General ence, thinking it impossible that such a Grant, who is always ready to take the letter could exist. I do not write for the credit when anything is done, and equally purpose of exonerating mysulf. I would ready to lay the blame of the failure on rather be the writer of such a letter than the navy when a failure takes place, I feel its publisher. in reach of it. I have served with the ing compliment to Maj. John W. Danham. Lieutenant General before, where I never Representative in the Legislature from worked so hard in my life to make a man Wilson county, will be heartily appresucceed as I did for him. You will scarce- ciated by the many acquaintances of that ly notice in his reports that the navy did any service, when, without the help it has gentleman in Wilmington, among whom given him all the way through, he never the earlier years of his life were passed. would have been Lieutenaut General. He and where he now reckons many intimate wants magnatimity, like most officers of friends and admirers. The article is from the army, and is so avaricious as regards fame that he will never, if he can help it, the Battleboro' Advance do justice to our department. When the rebels write the history of this war, then, and only then, will the country be made to feel what the navy has done.

I do not feel at all kindly towards Gen- completely than the accomp eral Grant for the indifference he displayed in this matter until he found his own reputation at stake; then he was glad not help but knew that Gen. Butler was posed in him. going in command of this expedition .-The matter was constantly discussed with him; he knew that he had placed himself and all of his numerous staff on board the flagship Ben de Ford, and everybody spoke of him as commander of the troops. In a conversation with Gen. Grant, I

expressly told him that I wanted nothing Marcellus. to do with Gen. Butler, and he promised me faithfully that he should not have any connection with the expedition. Two months I waited, the fleet ready to sail at an hour's notice, and I acquiesced in the on the first day of its session. As a mat-General's decision that he could not spare ter of right, California leads the column, troops for fear of endangering the defenses and Messrs. Cole and Casseriy, with a in his front. I said, "Then the expedition friendly rivalry, have come-forward each will never go until Butler has a finger in with his bill providing for the abolition of the pie;" and sure enough, when Butler this imposition. Since the adjournment said go, we went. The fear of weakening of Congress at the last session, as the the defenses disappeared on Butler's pre- Philadelphia Inquirer remarks, the memalmost sailed in the middle of a heavy no other matter has it been more satisfacto the formula; a drunken man sleeps gale. Gen. Grant knew that I did not care torily demonstrated that they were so it most unhandsome in him to listen for a people against that odious burden as moment to the idle talk of Butler's staff, the blame for the first failure to take the without delay. place. All this is now saddled on Gen. Butler, and history will tell nothing of Gen. Grant's share in it.

I tell it to you for your own persona satisfaction that you may know and feel that you are entitled to the entire credit in heaven. for getting this expedition off and for its success. I am merely the agent and only used to advantage the ample means placed at my disposal, which any one else could have done as well as I. I expect you she makes a phool she means it. sometimes think I am a little too impolitic in what I say, but that is my nature. I spend their whole lives in hunting after am always ready to fight right away, if any righteousness, and kant find any time to one reflects upon the navy. I know that praktick it. no country under the sun ever raised a A kicking cow never lets drive until just Could the navy operate in James river, burg, a stronger place, fell when the navy | will kick at a thing in the dark. was brought to bear on it. Every place has fallen where naval cannon have been out of the chain of life, and thus lengthbrought into play.

This is not a pet place with the Lieutenant-General, and he leaves it with about The Colusa, Cal.; Sun relates a thrilling seven thousand men, and I don't think unless he drinks whiskee. scene in a court room at that place. The knows much of the situation. An army justice and an attorney disagreed, and the man thinks if he has a gunboat at his good way to get phull but a poor way to irate judge brought a revolver in requisi- back he is all safe, but this is one case get phatt. tion and "made for" the attorney, who re- where at times the gunboats are driven off the window, while the jurymen, who in- heart is in the navy, and that everything and assuring you that it has been my warmest wish to merit only your appro-

Respectfully and sincerely, Your obd't servt,

MR, PRESIDENT : My first impulse, on that they bump their heads against.

reading the letter published in the N. Y World, was to go to you at once and pronounce it a fabrication, for as such I considered it; but as it purported to have been written six years ago, and published by a person who ones held a prominent My DEAR SIR: I received your kind let- position under the Government, I deterer of the 17th inst., and thank you warm | mined to ascertain fully if I had ever inly for the confidence you reposed in my dited such a letter before addressing von

seen received, and Gen. Grant promised you. The letter, it appears, was a private

At about the date of the letter I had cape they had. Nothing but the most des- fliet with Fort Fisher, and my numerous verste fighting and a determination to fleet was almost overpowered by the elewin on the part of the army gave us the ments. I saw the coveted prize within victory. The gallant band of sailors who my grasp, and then slip from me. For fearlessly went into the works amidst a another month I had to battle with the shower of canister and bullets, drew the storms of winter, anchored on an open enemy's attention away from the assault coast, with the responsibility of that large on the land side, and enabled the fleet on my hands, my mind and body troops to obtain a sure footing. I harasted by extraordinary fatigue. The dont say this to detract from the whole nation was looking on, excited, and

under no obligations for receiving and al- I regret exceedingly the loss of your lowing a report to be spread from his friendship, and do not be itale to disapheadquarters that there were three days prove the sentiments of which I suppose I when the navy might have operated and must bear the odium. They appear in a did not. He knows as much about it as letter of which I have no recollection : he did when he wrote to me saying "the they are so different from the sentiments only way in which the place could be taken I always express toward yourself and the was by running the ships past the batter- gallant officers of the army, and are so inies," showing evidently that he had not consistent with all my ant codents, that I

Major John W. Dungan. The follow

whose name appears at the head of this article He was made Chairman of two important committees, a position in which tast, judgmout, and own reputation at stake; then he was glad intellectual and executive power of a high order to throw the elephant overboard that had are required. We have the pleasure of saying weighed him down so heavily. He could that he has faithfully performed the trusts ce-

Maj. Dunham is a man of cultivation and rosearch, united with far-reaching energy and quickness of perception possessed by few. has had sufficient time to mature them. Other wise he is reticent and cautious. In the Legis lature North Carolina has no son who gives better promise for a career of usefulness and honor. Wilson may well be proud of her young

# Repeal of the Income Tax

A demand for the abolition of the income tax comes promptly into the Senate senting his plan for blowing the forts bers have been taught some things which down, and an army was shipped so quick are rather different from what their own (unprepared) on the transports, that they ideas upon such subjects had been. Upon a fig for the powder boat, though I was hopelessly blind and wretchedly mistaken very willing to try it as an experiment, but than in regard to the continuation of this

not disposed to trust it altogether. I think tax. They treated the protest of the unworthy of attention. They insisted that and his timid, calculating engineer, Com- the continuation of the tax was for the stock, who wanted some excuse for public good, and that it was folly to desire not doing their duty. The Lieuten- its discontinuance. By this time they have ant General and I were together eigh- probably acquired some knowledge on the teen months before Vicksburg-never had subject. All of them have been taught to wait for me, nor did any of his generals very clearly what the popular ideas are, (but I have had to wait for them), and he and some of them, among whom we may should have supposed from the past and particularize Mr. Schenck, have learned my anxiety to go to work, that I had not the lesson with sorrow. If they desire to become any slower in my movevents than recover the favor which they have lost by I was on the Mississippi. His course their folly, they will hasten forward in the proves to me that he would rather sacrifice | Senate, pass one of the bills -the best one his best friend than let any odium fall on | - of Cole or Casserly. In the House there Lieutenant General Grant. He will take ought to be a contest to upset Mr. Schenck to himself all the credit of this move now and his ruinous policy as soon as possible. that it is successful, when he deserves all Let us get this impossition out of the way

# Josh Billings,

Mankind love misteries; a hole in the ground excites more wonder than a star up Don't mistake vivacity for wit; there iz

about az much difference as there iz between lightnin and lightnin bugs. Nature never makes any blunders; when

There iz some pholks in this world who

he kant see aint as wise as a mule, for they

Every time a man laffs he takes a kink \* ens it.

"A poor but dishonest casa"-that iz about az low down az enny man can get, Living on hope iz living on wind; a

It iz human tew err, but devilish to brag on. The man who aint got an enemy, iz

Advice iz like kaster ile, easy enuff tew giv, but dreadful uneasy tew take. A cheerful old man or old woman iz like

the south side of a wood shed, in the last Pity kosts nothing-and aint worth nothing. A dog iz the only thing on this earth

that luvs yu more than he luvs himself. Whot men ikant do they are apt to admire-they dont kritcize a mountain because they kant make one. Sekrets are cussed poor property, ennyhow; if yu cirkulate them, yu lose them;

and if yu keep them you lose the interest on the investment. Revenge iz just az natural tew flow az milk-yu will see little boys ctub the post